

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116 – EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
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REMARKS

This responds to the Office Action mailed on July 29, 2005.

Claims 27, 28, and 31 are amended, claims 4, 7, 12, 15 17-26, 29, 30 and 32 are canceled; claims 1-3, 5, 6, 8-11, 13, 14, 16, 27 and 28, (renumbered as claim 27) are allowed, and as a result, claims 1-3, 5-6, 8-11, 13-14, 16 and 27, 28 and 31 are now pending in this application.

Claim Objections

The Examiner objected to claim 26 as being dependent upon cancelled claim 22. The Applicant has taken the Examiner's suggestion and has cancelled claim 26. New claims 26-31 have been re-numbered as claims 27-32.

§103 Rejection of the Claims

Claims 29 and 32 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wisner et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,385,596 B1) in view of Paget (The security behind Secure Extranets, Enterprise System Journal, 14, 12, 74, December 1999); and further in view of Hasegawa (U.S. Patent No. 6,632,992 B2).

Claim 30 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wisner et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,385,596 B1) in view of Paget (The security behind Secure Extranets, Enterprise System Journal, 14, 12, 74, December 1999); and further in view of Hasegawa (U.S. Patent No. 6,632,992 B2); and further in view of Blair (U.S. Patent No. 5,187,352 A).

Claims 29, 30 and 32 have been cancelled.

Allowed Claims

Claims 1-3, 5, 6, 8-11, 13, 14, 16 and 27-28 were allowed. The Applicant notes that the front page of the office action does not include claim 13 as an allowed claim but page 6 does list claim 13 as an allowed claim.

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Claim 31 was objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but were indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. The Applicant has added the limitations of claim 29 to claim 31 and has cancelled claim 29.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney (612) 373-6976 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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